

**BUCKSPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
7:00 P.M., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2008  
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER-BUCKSPORT TOWN OFFICE**

1. Mayor Lisa Whitney called meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Members Present: Michael Ormsby, Robert Carmichael, Joel Wardwell, Lisa Whitney, Dave Keene, Jeff Robinson, Paul McCann.
3. Consider minutes of previous meetings  
  
It was motioned by Paul McCann, seconded by Jeff Robinson and unanimously voted to approve Town Council meeting minutes of October 9<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>, 2008 as presented.
4. Receive and review correspondence
  - a. Treasurer's Warrant for October 2008  
-Council members received copies of treasurer's warrants for the month of October 2008. Town Manager asked that questions or comments be directed to himself or Finance Director.
5. Introduce Superintendent of Schools  
  
Town Manager introduced Superintendent of Schools, James Boothby. Mr. Boothby spoke briefly indicating that he is looking forward to working with the council and thanked them for their support. He noted that it was going to be a challenging year, but he was willing to keep open lines of communication with the Town Council and Town Manager. Questions, concerns or problems, could be addressed to him at anytime.  
Town Manager asked Mr. Boothby what his thoughts were regarding state funding for the 2009-2010 fiscal year.  
Mr. Boothby indicated that the Commissioner of Education is recommending level funding for the next two years.
6. Consider Resolve #R-2009-59 regarding the public parking lot off Elm Street adjacent to Northeast Historic Film  
  
It was motioned by Robert Carmichael, seconded by Michael Ormsby and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2009-59.
7. Consider council membership on the Senior Citizens' Study Committee  
  
Town Councilors Robert Carmichael, Jeff Robinson and Dave Keene volunteered to be on the Senior Citizens' Study Committee. The first meeting

is scheduled for December 16<sup>th</sup>, with community leaders and representatives of groups involved in senior services. This committee will review Bucksport's Senior citizens current services and programs and bring back their findings and recommendations to the council.

8. Consider council membership on the Police and Dispatch Study Committee

Town Councilors Joel Wardwell, Michael Ormsby, Jeff Robinson and Citizen at large Paul McCann, has volunteered to be on the Dispatch Study Committee. The first meeting is scheduled for December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008. Town Councilors Lisa Whitney and Michael Ormsby volunteered to be on the Police Study Committee, and the first meeting is scheduled for January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

9. Issue permits or licenses, if an

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Robert Carmichael and unanimously voted to approve Miscellaneous License for Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at 10:00 AM f/b/o Bucksport Bay Area Chamber of Commerce.

10. Hear report from Town Manager regarding the following

a. Enterprise Grant

-Bids will be received and opened on Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM for the project. Town Council will consider awarding the contract at the December 11<sup>th</sup> council meeting. The project is scheduled for completion by June 2009.

b. Maine Trust Investment Grant

-The asbestos study has been completed and no asbestos was found. Two contracts will be awarded; one to remove the building; and the other to build the parking lot. The demolition contract will be out to bid by December 1<sup>st</sup>; and the plans for the parking lot will be available for review by the town council by the first meeting in December.

c. Financials for the period ending 10/31/2008

-Town Council members received copies of the Expense and Revenue Reports for the period ending 10/31/2008. Overall, expenses and revenues are within projections; however, revenues are falling short compared to last year by about 8%. The biggest reduction is in Excise Tax. At this time, no major problems with the expenditures lines are expected. Any questions or concerns regarding the reports please see Town Manager or Finance Director.

d. Concession Stand and Bathroom Facility

-The roof has been completed; masonry work has been completed except for the walls between the bathroom stalls, which cannot be started until the plumber has installed the necessary hardware, and piping. Once completed and all the exterior doors have been installed, the mason will complete his work as long as that portion of the building can be heated. If there is no heat, then the remaining masonry work will be completed next spring. The Highway Department has been working on the groundwork and installing a conduit for the electrical service. The carpenter will be returning next week to begin to finish the exterior of the building.

e. Road Projects

-All projects have been completed with the exception of one mile on the Millvale Road. Two replacement culverts at the bog on the Silver Lake Road have been replaced; and design plans for a section of Franklin Street, from McDonald to Second Street are under way. The plans should be available by early 2009.

f. Natural Gas

-Approximately 500 letters have been prepared and should be mailed out by Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup> and request surveys are returned no later than November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

11. Discussion items

It was motioned by Jeff Robinson, seconded by Paul McCann and unanimously voted to suspend the rules to take up an item not on the agenda.

It was motioned by Michael Ormsby, seconded by Joel Wardwell and unanimously voted to approve Resolve #R-2009-60 awarding contract for purchase of vehicle exhaust ventilation system at the Bucksport Public Safety Building.

Lisa Whitney said the production of the musical "Grease" at the Bucksport Performing Arts Center for Saturday's performance proved a sellout crowd and had to turn people away, a first for the center.

12. Adjournment

It was motioned by Paul McCann, seconded by Joel Wardwell and unanimously voted that the meeting be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathy L. Downes  
Council Secretary